

**ABSTRACT**

An on-line educational system having an electronic notebook feature. An instructor builds a course on-line containing identification of assignments and educational materials, which are compiled into an on-line electronic syllabus. Users enrolled in the course may access the electronic syllabus and perform various functions with the on-line educational system in order to participate in the on-line educational course. Those functions include an electronic notebook permitting a particular user to enter information into the notebook and permitting the user to selectively identify permitted access to the notebook by the instructor. The system selectively provides access to the electronic notebook by the instructor based upon the user's identification of permitted access.